

BUILDING ON MOMENTUM: WARD 6 MIDDLE SCHOOLS

Miner Parents, We Want to Hear from Every One of You!

Middle school is critical to preparing students for college. Ensuring that families have quality middle school options is one of our top priorities. Over the past few months, we have engaged parents and the school community to identify how to best support and strengthen our middle schools in Ward 6. We took all of the information we heard and developed a *draft plan* to improve middle school options in Ward 6.

Miner Elementary School's destination middle school is Eliot-Hine, so all Miner students are guaranteed a spot at Eliot-Hine beginning in 6th grade. Below are a few highlights from our proposal to continue Eliot-Hine's exciting progress.

- **We will strengthen the academic program at Eliot-Hine**
 - Offer advanced courses in math for students who are ready, with an emphasis on Algebra and Geometry for high school credit
 - Offer world language for high school credit, allowing students to enroll in higher level Spanish in Grade 9
- **We will launch a Spanish Language course in school year 2011-2012**
- **We will implement the International Baccalaureate Middle Years Program (IB-MYP) in school year 2010-2011**
 - The IB-MYP emphasizes development of the whole student while specifically emphasizing communication skills and international-mindedness
 - Capitalize on the continuum of IB programming from Eliot-Hine Middle School to Eastern High School, which will establish the IB High School Program
- **Eliot-Hine, Jefferson, and Stuart-Hobson Middle Schools will feed to the brand new Eastern High School in school year 2011-2012**

To view the full proposal, please visit our website: <http://dcps.dc.gov/DCPS/building-on-momentum>

Tell us what you think!

Your feedback will inform the development of our final plan. Please take a few minutes to respond to the questions on the back of this sheet and return to your child's school.

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1. Do you feel that the proposed changes support the progress and enhance the quality of Eliot-Hine?
☐ 1(Not at all) ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4 (Very much)
2. Do the proposed changes influence your decision to send your child to Eliot-Hine?
☐ 1(Not at all) ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4 (Very much)
3. What aspect of the plan for Eliot-Hine do you find most compelling as you make decisions regarding your child's middle school?
4. Are there elements to strengthening Eliot-Hine MS that we did not include in the proposed plan or that we should provide more detail on?
5. Do you support the implementation of an International Baccalaureate Program at Eliot-Hine Middle School?
☐ Do not support ☐ Support ☐ Definitely Support ☐ Need more information
6. Do you have any additional comments or suggestions?

Would you like to know more?

For more information, please visit <http://dcps.dc.gov/DCPS/building-on-momentum>
Or contact Claudia Luján at (202) 719-6598

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